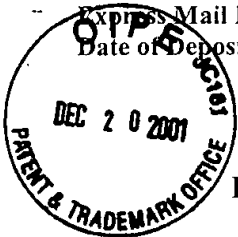


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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the application be amended as follows before examination.

In the specification:

Page 1, line 1, insert a centered heading and paragraph to read:

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Page 1, line 6, insert --more-- before "back-up."

Page 1, line 7, replace "uninterrupted" with --uninterruptable--.

Page 3, line 19, insert --,-- after "telephone."

Page 4, line 14, insert --an-- before "AC-AC."

Page 5, line 1, replace "a" with --A--.

Page 5, line 3, replace "energizes" with --de-energizes--.

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